

PARISH NEWS

SUNDAY SCHOOL: We would request all the Parents to send their children to Sunday school for their Spiritual growth and development .The Sunday School Classes starts along with Church Worship Service.

REPUBLIC DAY: Since 26th January is observed as Republic Day we shall unfurl our National Flag immediately after our Worship Service at 8:00 am onwards.

CHRISTMAS DINNER / TREE: We would like to thank all those who helped in organising the Christmas Tree and Dinner specially we would like to thank the Programme Convener Mr. Shobat Dhakery and our Church members Mr. Sanjay Martin, Mr. David Masih, Mr. R. C. Joseph, Mr. Naveen Cak, Mr. Nitin Bagh and Mrs. E. Wong.

BAPTISM: Jonathan son of Mr. David & Mrs. Deepika Thangadurai was baptized on the 28th of December 2016. We would like to congratulate the parent specially the grandmother Mrs. Puspha Thangadurai.

CRICKET MATCH: On the 26th of December, 2016 we organised the cricket match between the married and the unmarried. The married team won the match by 30 runs. We would like to congratulate all the married players and wish the unmarried better luck for the next year.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOP: Thanksgiving envelop are kept at the last pew of Church you are requested to use this envelop for special thanksgiving occasion. (Birthday, Wedding Anniversaries, any other Joyous occasion)

WEDDING BELLS: -

Desmond James & Samantha were joined together in Holy Matrimony on 27th of December 2016.

Alvin Lazarus & Ronika were joined together in Holy Matrimony on 28th of December 2016.

Andrew Lazarus & Hina were joined together in Holy Matrimony on 29th of December 2016.

May the Lord's Blessing be upon these newly wedded couples, and may the Lord be their guide all the days of their life.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: - We are happy to inform you that our Church has come up with the Church Directory, which was released by our Honourable Bishop the Rt. Rev. Dr. P. C. Singh on the 1st of January 2017 during the New Year Covenant Service. You can also have a copy of this Directory by paying a minimum amount of Rs 50/- .

BIBLE QUIZ:

1. What is the occupation of Cain and Abel and what did they offered to God?
2. God warned Adam that eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil would result in death. What related word or phrase is repeated many times in Genesis?

OBITUARY: Ms. Niranjini Gnananand sister of Mrs. Manoranjini Lal fell asleep in Christ on the 14th of December 2016. May her soul rest in peace.

Have a Blessed and Prosperous New Year 2017



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, (C.N.I), JABALPUR



(Est. 1844)

Church Service- 8:30 am

Rev. Bruce Thangadurai
Hon. Presbyter-in-charge

Sunday School- 8:30 am

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CHURCH CALENDER FOR JANUARY - 2017

1 ST JANUARY	2017	NEW YEAR COVENANT SERVICE (SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS)
8 TH JANUARY	2017	SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
15 TH JANUARY	2017	THIRD SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
22 ND JANUARY	2017	FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
26 TH JANUARY	2017	REPUBLIC DAY
29 TH JANUARY	2017	FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

NEW YEAR MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. 2016 is over. 2017 is here. As we stand here in the beginning of a New Year it is a good time to reflect on the year that is ending and look forward into the year that is soon to begin. It is also a good time for God's people to take inventory of their walk with the Lord. We should take a very close look at where we are in our relationship with Him. We need to examine ourselves and see where we have been, where we are and where the Lord wants us to be. As we enter 2017 this year may be a year filled with promises for all of us.

1. The New Year may be a time of prosperity. If it is God's will to give us worldly prosperity and wealth, let us pray for grace and wisdom to use them aright. Prosperity has its dangers. It comes in as a separating barrier between the soul and God. Our Saviour, in one of his parables, speaks of the deceitfulness of riches, and tells us that, along with the cares of this world, it is like thorns that choke the good seed of Divine truth, so that it becomes unfruitful. Let not riches "separate us from the love of Christ."

2. The New Year may be a time of trial. St. Paul felt convinced that no trials could separate him from that wondrous love. "Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?... Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us" (verses. 35, 37). No trial, or tribulation should separate us from the love of Christ.

3. The New Year will be a time of opportunities. This is as certain as that the sun will shine, and the seasons come, and the ocean ebb and flow. Every day will bring to each of us its opportunities. Opportunities save souls. Opportunities test character. Some one has said that "opportunities are importunities." Every opportunity appeals to us. It appeals to us to avail ourselves of it, to show what side we are on, to make our choice for time and eternity. Abraham had his opportunity when the call came to him to leave his father's house, and he used it well. It showed him to be a man of faith, a man who would do God's bidding at any cost. Joseph, Joshua, Daniel - each of these had his opportunity, and well they used it. Herod had his opportunity, and seemed to be impressed by the preaching of John the Baptist, for "he did many things, and heard him gladly;" but when the critical and testing opportunity came of making his choice, of choosing good rather than evil, he lost it. But let our life be dominated by the constraining influence of the love of Christ, and then the opportunities which the passing hours are sure to bring will only show more and more clearly that we are on the Lord's side.

4. The New Year will be a time of duties. It is well to begin the year with a high sense of our obligations and responsibilities. Duties are a certainty which every day brings with it. There are the duties of daffy prayer and daily thanksgiving to God; the duties of parents to their children, of employers to their servants, of all Christians to those who are around them. Here, again, let every duty be discharged in the spirit of love to Christ, and there will be no uncertainty about our faithfulness. "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?" -

As we enter 2017 let us be thankful to God for all the blessings he has given to us in 2016 and let us pray that this New Year may bring lot of happiness in our life and family. May the Lord continue to bless us and keep us safe and uphold us under his care and protection.

WISH YOU ALL A PROSPEROUS & BLESSED NEW YEAR 2017

BIRTHDAYS JANUARY

1. Trevor Hogg , Allan Jones , Manoj Chauragade
2. Diana Rachael Jones, Daniel Thangadurai
3. Madhumala Joseph, Ezekiel Thangadurai
4. Ryan Ali, Erica Taylor
5. Jennifer Parihar
7. Preeti Irene Thangadurai, Roseleena Maria Kane, Sunita Paul, Asha Vince Samuel
9. Maureen Parmar, Raphael Thangadurai
10. Christine Ellis
12. Viresh Kumar Rathod, Saurav Hogg
13. Vilas kumar Rathod, Stephen Chelvam, Jessica Rose Gee
14. Maj.Sheeja Thangadurai,
16. Phyllis Langan, Unique Joshua Patrick
17. Bethel Cooper, Col. M. Manickaraj
18. Crystal Brown, Rev. Pushparaj Daniel Thangadurai, Tony Taylor
19. Sarah Sophia Peters, Shaun Raymer
20. Yu Min Krysral Chen
21. Sharayu B,Shinde, Neha Rodgers
22. Harsha Peter
- 24 Beverly Rushton, Olive Lazarus, Mercy Thangadurai, Pratibha James, Vincent Sushil Cornelius
25. Rubena Rushton, David Masih
26. Candida Rushton, Ingrid James, Natasha Gupta
29. Samuel Chelvam, Leonard Edbrooke
30. Pearl Park
31. Keith Baldrey

We wish each one of you a very Happy Birthday with God's Blessing

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

2. Douglas Green & Sandra Russell
4. Sheil Marvin & Marvin Ali
10. Vijay & Romila David
11. Mr. Sanjay & Mrs Stella Peter
15. Shakot & Eileen Ali
17. Col. Manickaraj & J. Beulah
18. Abhay & Ann Kankane,
G. Lazarus Victor Chelladurai & J. Jeya kumari
19. Mrs. & Mr. Akash S. Chelvam
20. Varghese & Rebecca Samuel
23. Rev. Lalchawimawia & Lalrammawii
28. Sharon & Neeti Thangadurai

We wish the couples a very happy long married life with God's Choicest Blessing